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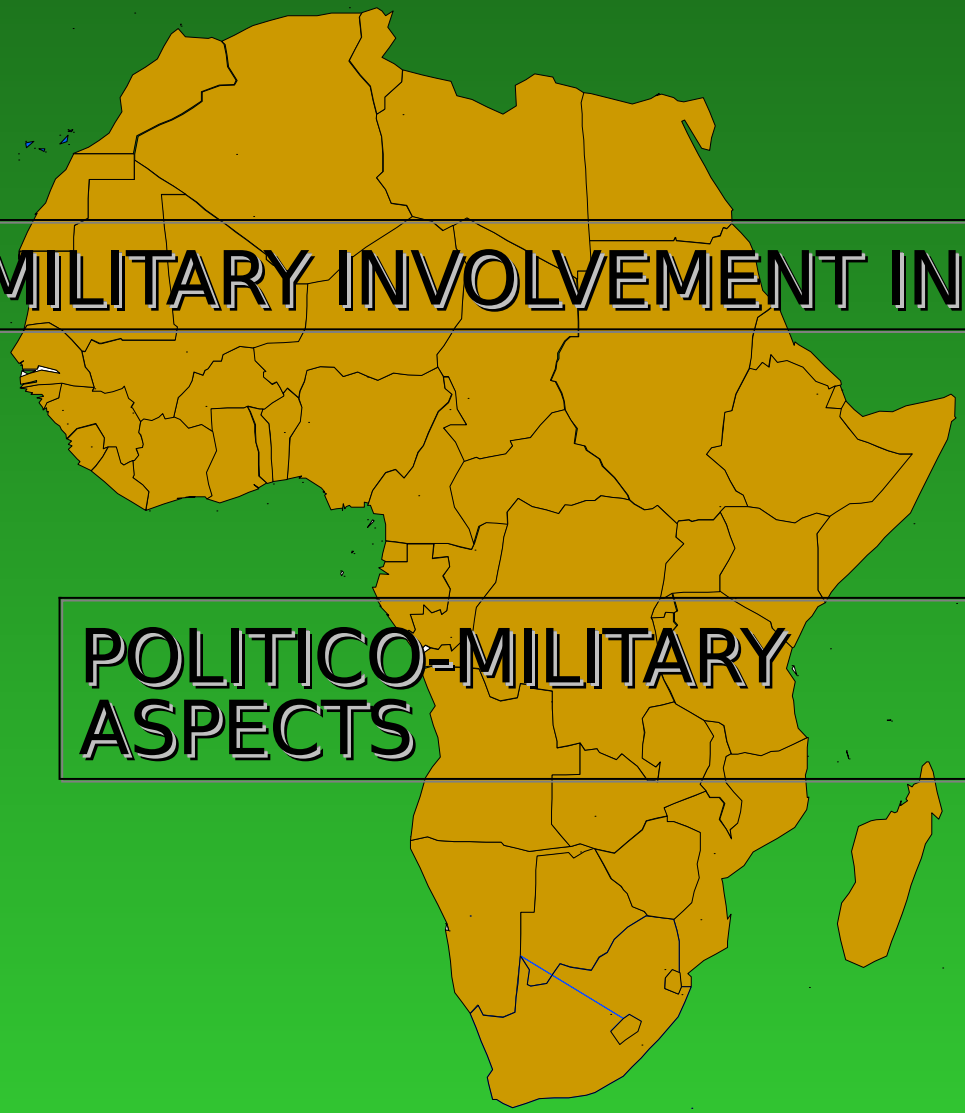
SUMMARY



ITALIAN MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN AFRICA

POLITICO-MILITARY ASPECTS

Military Involvement

Peacekeeping missions
Non Combatant Evacuation Operations
Peace talks
Others

ITALIAN PARTICIPATION IN UN OPERATIONS IN AFRICA

N°	COUNTRY	OPERATION	PERIOD	SIZE [CASUALTIES]	TASKS/OTHER
1	SOMALIA	Assistance	1950 - 1960	6,000 [1]	Assistance in creating an independent Somali state.
2	CONGO	ONUC	1960 - 1964	100 [21]	Assistance to the government in maintaining law and order after the declaration of independence.
3	NAMIBIA	UNTAG	Apr.89 - Mar 90	1 Army Light Aviation bn. "ANTARES" 100 [=]	Monitoring the transition process from colony status (South Africa) to independence. In 1989, South Africa leaves Namibia in return for Cuban withdrawal from Angola.
4	WESTERN SAHARA	MINURSO	Sep. 91 - present day	5 [=]	Monitoring the referendum on independence from Morocco.

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5	SOMALIA	UNOSOM (IBIS)	Dec. 92 - Apr. 94	15,966 [16, of whom 1 nurse and 3 reporters]	• ensuring safe humanitarian operations; • providing medical care to the population.
6	MOZAMBIQUE	UNOMOZ (ALBATROS)	Feb. 93 - Dec.94 (23 onths)	max 1,030 (total: 4,734) [2]	Supervising peace agreement implementation between FRELIMO and RENAMO through: • acquisition of 1 corridor to ensure safe withdrawal of foreign troops; • armed escort support to road and railroad convoys; • manning of vulnerable points; • delivery of humanitarian aid; • assembly areas supervision; • provision of medical assistance.

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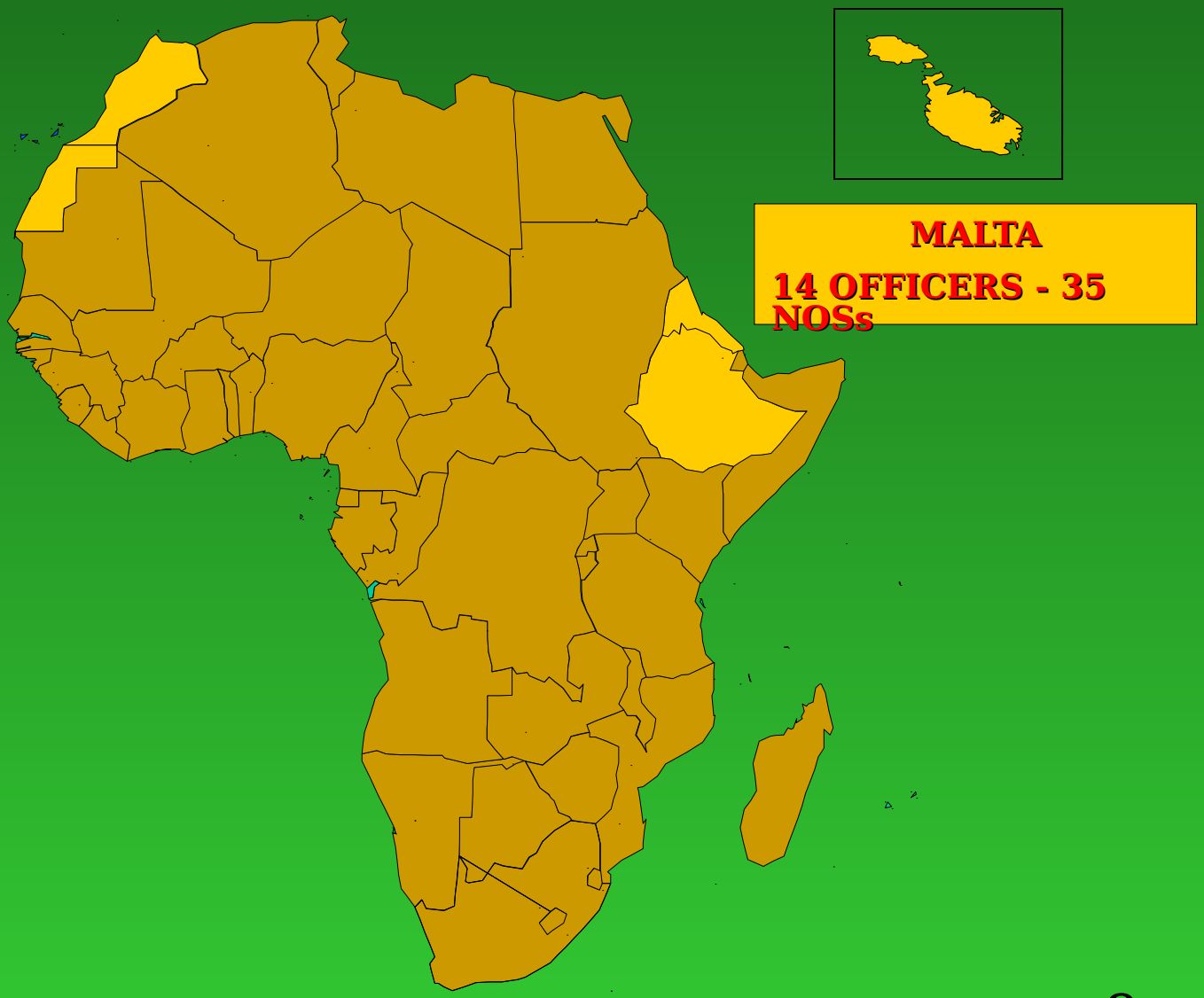
7	RWANDA	UNAMIR (IPPOCAMPO)	Oct.93 - Mar 96	176 [=]	Provision of humanitarian aid to the Rwandan population and refugees.
8	ANGOLA	UNAVEM III	Feb. 95 - June 97	4 (2 off. and 2 NCOs from Engin. Corps)	Instructors at the Mine Clearance Centre in LUANDA.
9	ETHIOPIA ERITREA	UNMEE	from Nov, 14 2000	54	• Supervising the implementation of the agreement between the two States; • Surveillance of the borders.

Italian participation in NEOs in Africa

COUNTRY	OPERATION	PERIOD	FORCES	TASKS/OTHERS
RWANDA	"IPPOCAMPO RWANDA 94"	10-14 April 94	146 men 4 C-130 1 G-222	Evacuation of 91 Italian and 238 Western citizens
RWANDA	"ENTEBBE"	3-6 June 94	26 men 3 C-130	Evacuation of 98 injured children from Rwanda
SIERRA LEONE	=	29-30 May 97	8 men 1 B707	Evacuation of 50 Italian citizens
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO	"AURORA"	11-12 June 97	8men 1 C-130	Evacuation of 41 Italian and 50 Western citizens

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



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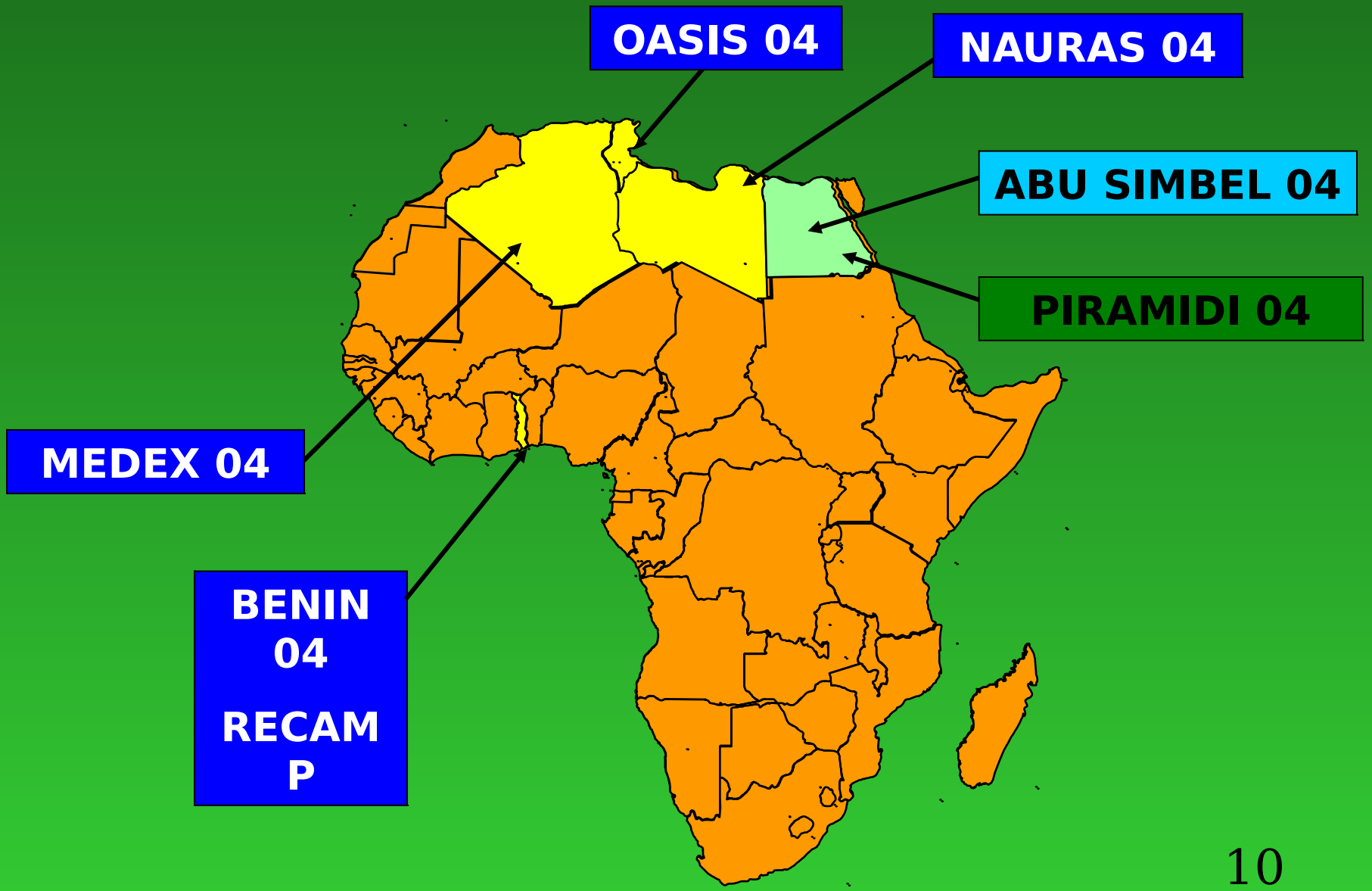
14 OFFICERS - 35 NOSs

G-8 AFRICA ACTION PLAN

ITALY OFFERED SPONSOR COURSES ON THE UN STAFF COLLEGE IN TURIN

THE AIM OF THE COURSE IS FOCUSSED ON PRINCIPLES FOR ORGANIZING AND MANAGING PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS.

Africa area Exercises 2004



OASIS 2004

GENERAL

CATEGORY: MULTINATIONAL

FORM / TYPE: LIVEX/MARITIME/INVITEX

AREA: TUNISIA

AIM:

TO IMPROVE THE TRAINING OF THE AIR-NAVY ASSETS OF THE ITALIAN AND TUNISIAN ARMED FORCES, FOCUSING ON COOPERATION IN:

- SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR);
- CONTROL AND INSPECTION OF CARGO BOATS SUSPECTED OF UNLAWFUL TRADE;
- PEACE SUPPORT /HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (PK/HR).

ITALIAN PARTICIPATION

NAVY: 2 UNITS (MINERVA CL.), 1 UNIT (CASSIOPEA CL.), 1 UNIT FOR TOI, 1 BOARDING TEAM, 1 HELO SH3D, 1 HELO AB-212

BENIN ‘2004 (RECAMP IV)

GENERAL

CATEGORY: MULTINATIONAL

FORM / TYPE: CPX/LIVEX/FTX/INVITEX

AREA: BENIN (LIVEX)/GHANA/NIGERIA (SEMINARI)

AIM: TO PROMOTE THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRIES IN AFRICA THROUGH THE RE.C.A.M.P. INITIATIVE (REINFORCEMENT OF THE CAPABILITY OF AFRICAN NATIONS IN PEACE KEEPING) .

PARTICIPATION:

- **ECOWAS/CEDEAO Countries:** BENIN, BURKINA-FASO, CAPO VERDE, COSTA D’AVORIO, GAMBIA, GHANA, GUINEA, GUINEA-BISSAU, LIBERIA, MALI, NIGER, NIGERIA, SENEGAL, SIERRA LEONE E TOGO;

Other countries: BELGIO, PORTOGALLO, STATI UNITI, SVEZIA, GERMANIA

NAURAS '04

GENERAL

CATEGORY: BILATERAL

FORM / TYPE: LIVEX/MARITIME

AREA: LIBYA

AIM:

- TO PROMOTE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE LIBYAN AND ITALIAN NAVIES.
- TO INCREASE THE INTEROPERABILITY BETWEEN THE LIBYAN AND ITALIAN NAVY BY INCREASING THE MUTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF EQUIPMENT AND CAPABILITIES, AND THE PRACTICING OF EXERCISES IN A MUTUAL ENVIRONMENT;
- TO TRAIN CDRS IN USING STANDARD PROCEDURES IN THE CONDUCT OF:
  - MIO, INCLUDING VBSS (Vessel Boarding, Search and Seizure);
  - PROTECTION OF SHIPPING OPS;
  - DAMAGE CONTROL ACTIVITIES IN PORT AND AT SEA;
  - RPM COMPILATION;
  - MANOEUVERING AND COMMUNICATIONS EXERCISES;
  - SAR OPS..

ITALIAN PARTICIPATION

1 UNITS (MINERVA CL.), 1 UNIT (CASSIOPEA CL.), 1 UNITS (COMANDANTI/MINERVA CL.),

MEDEX '04

GENERAL

CATEGORY: MULTINATIONAL

FORM / TYPE: LIVEX/MARITIME

AREA: ALGERIA

AIM:

TO PROMOTE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE ALGERIAN AND ITALIAN NAVIES TO PRACTICE AND EXERCISE THE CONDUCT OF COMMUNICATIONS, MANOEUVERING AND SAR ACTIVITIES.

ITALIAN PARTICIPATION

1 UNIT (MINERVA CL.),

1 UNIT (CASSIOPEA CL.)

PIRAMIDI ‘04

GENERAL

CATEGORY: BILATERAL

FORM / TYPE: LIVEX/FTX/CPX

AREA: EGYPT

AIM:

PERFECT THE STRATEGIC PROJECTION CAPABILITY OF DESIGNATED HQ’S/UNITS AND IMPROVE THE PROCEDURES RELATIVE TO THE CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS IN THE MULTINATIONAL ENVIRONMENT, DURING WHICH THE AIRMOBILE CAPABILITIES OF THE UNITS WILL BE VALIDATED.

ABU SIMBEL '04

GENERAL

CATEGORY: BILATERAL

FORM / TYPE: LIVEX

AREA: EG

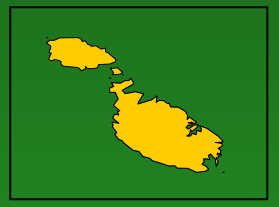
AIM:

TO PROMOTE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE EGYPTIAN AND ITALIAN AIR FORCES BY MEANS OF JOINT TRAINING ACTIVITY.

ITALIAN PARTICIPATION

AIR: 5 AMX, 1 AMX-T E 1 B-707.

TRAINING OF PERSONNEL



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2003/2004

115 PERSONNEL
(OFFICERS, NCOs and CADETs)

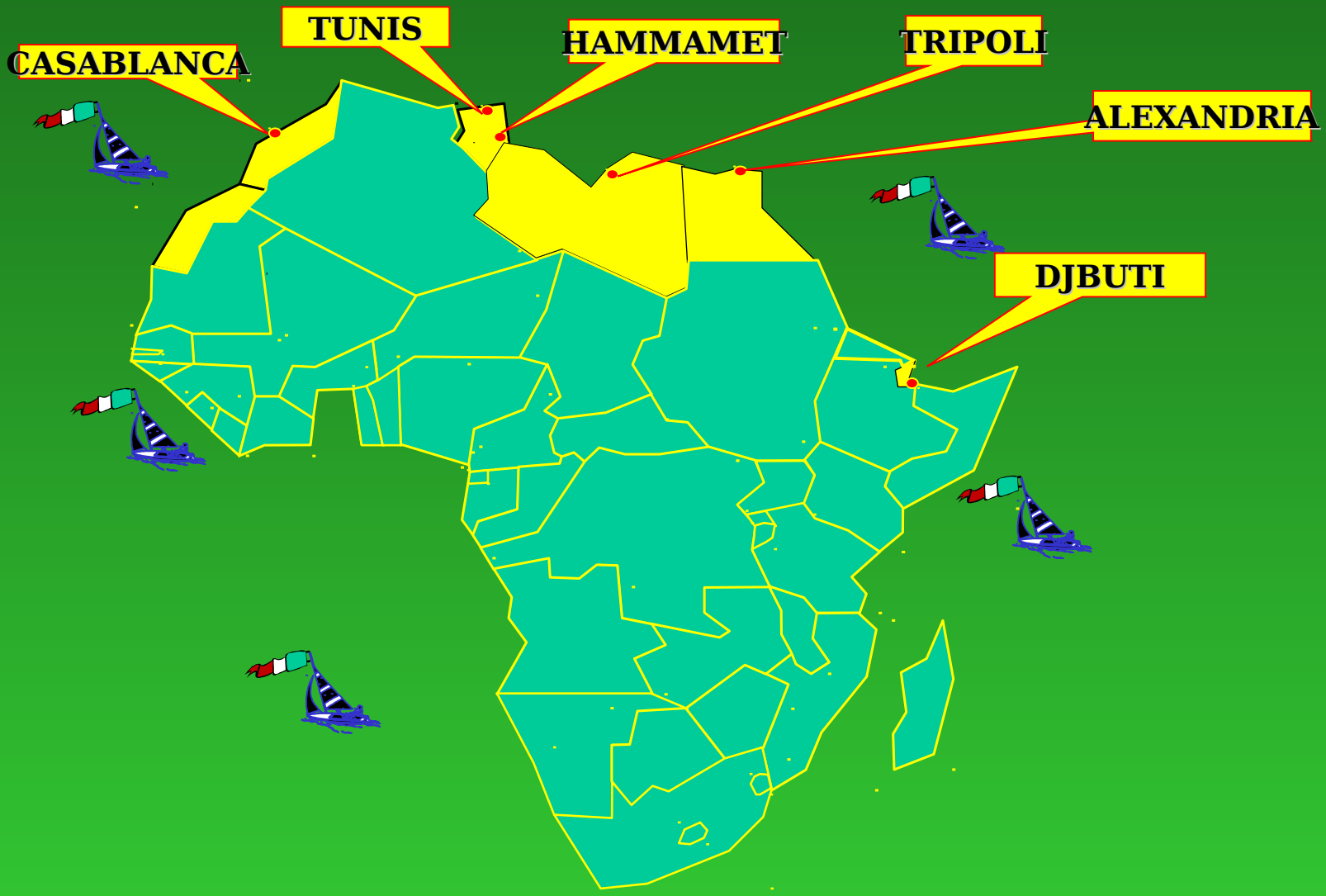
2004/2005

79 PERSONNEL
(OFFICERS, NCOs and CADETS)

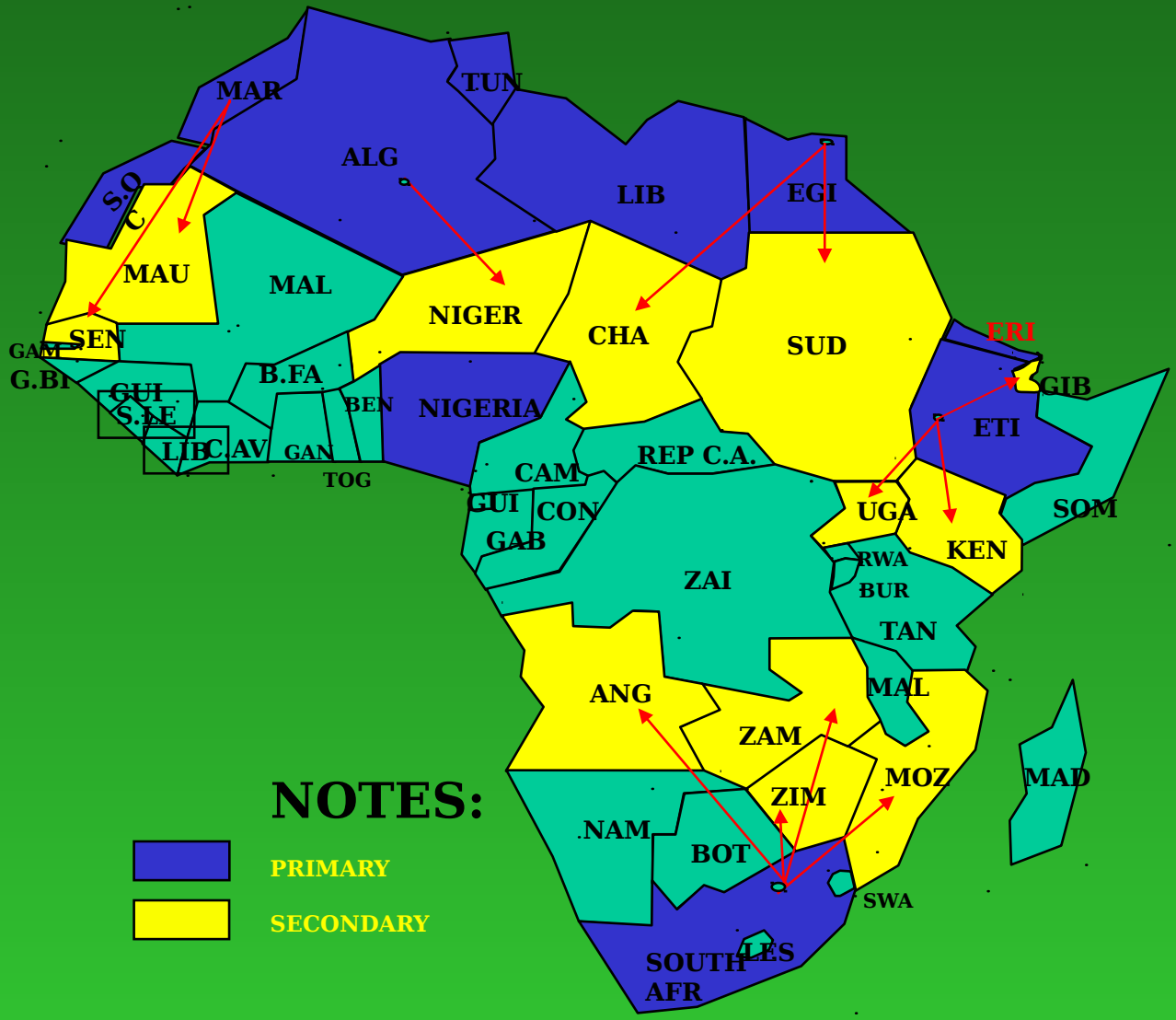
LAST 10 YEARS

1000 MEN

AFRICAN PORTS VISITS BY THE ITALIAN NAVY DURING THE YEAR 2003



ITALIAN MILITARY ATTACHES IN AFRICA



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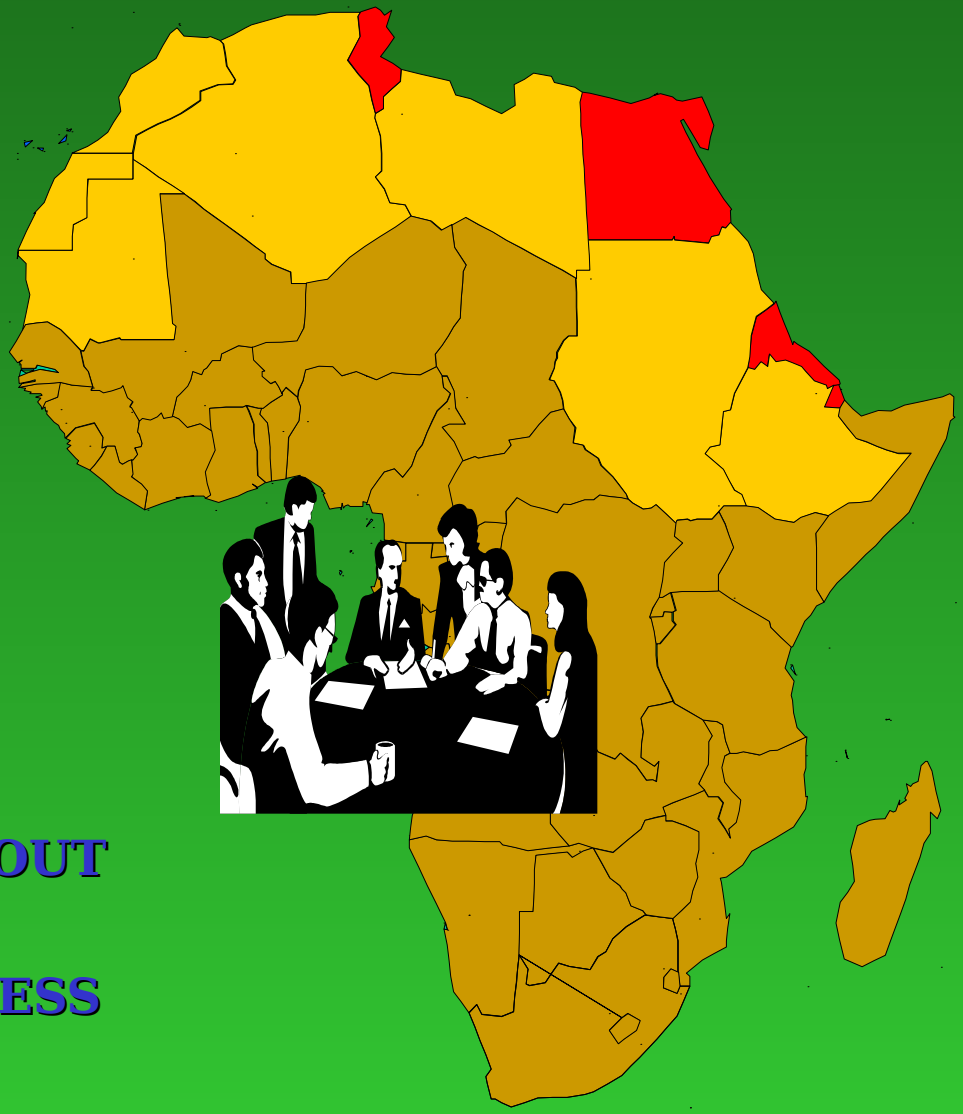
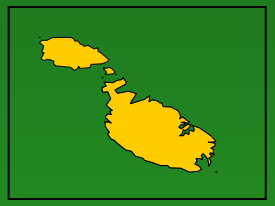
SECONDARY

STAFF TALKS 2004





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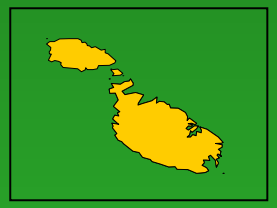
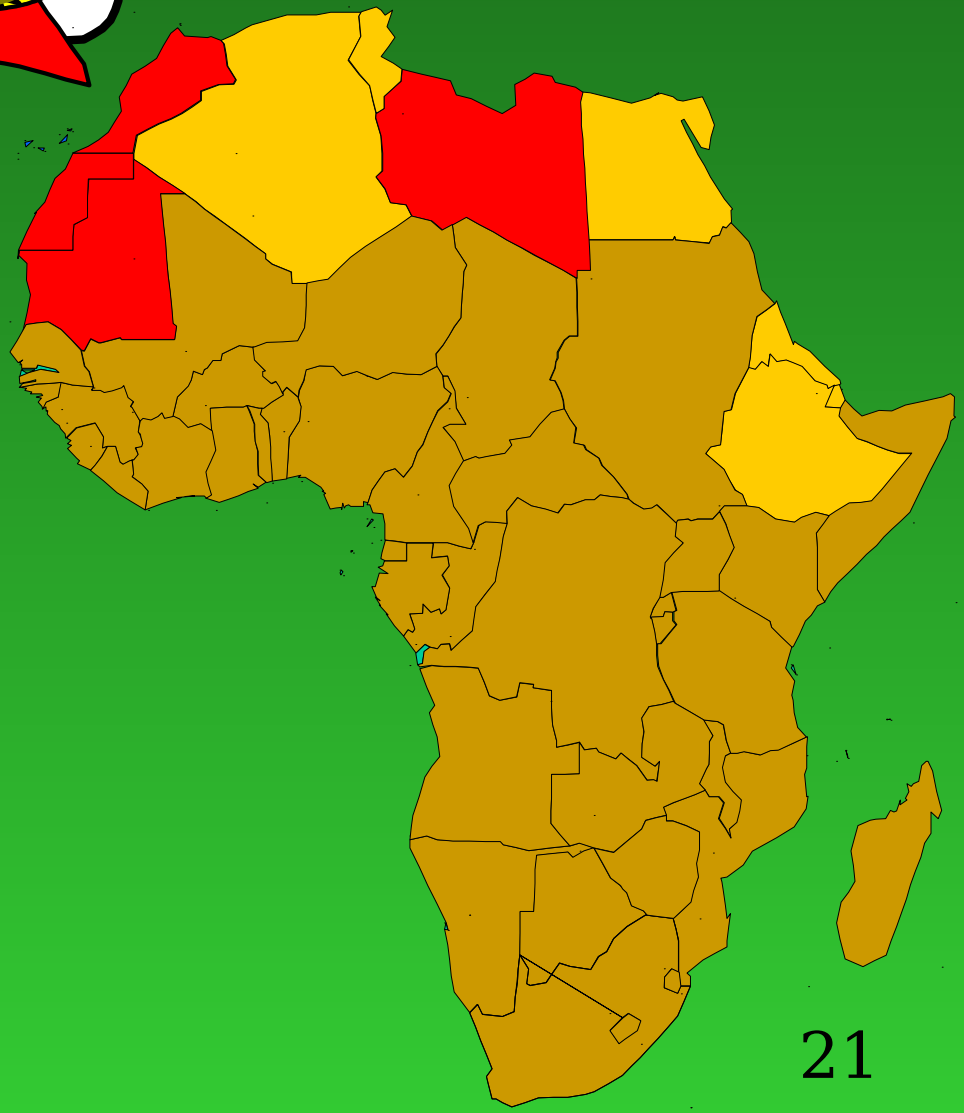
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING





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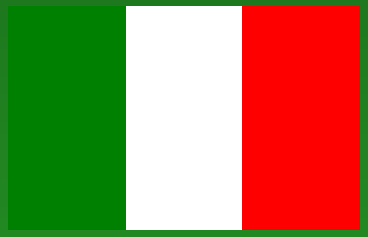

Closing remarks

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